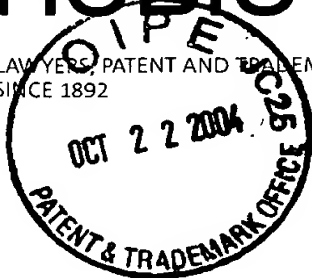


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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the "Notice of non-compliant amendment" mailed on October 6, 2004, we are enclosing herewith:

- a copy of the amended set of claims submitted with the Amendment filed on September 23, 2004, on separate sheets and with no brackets and underlinings (see Attachment A); and
- a copy of the same amended set of claims wherein all the deletions from the previous claims are in brackets and all the additions thereto are underlined, in order to facilitate the Examiner's revision work (see Attachment B).

As may be noticed, in these two Attachments, the status of each of the claims has been identified by what we do believe is the correct status indicator (the "non elected" claims have now been identified as --withdrawn--).

We hope that two amended set of claims enclosed as Attachments A and B, now comply with the very specific requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. If not, please call the undernamed patent agent at the telephone number given below.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



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